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District 4 News

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News & Views from around your community



Greetings!

I hope everyone is enjoying the cool fall weather and gearing up for all the special holidays and events that fall and winter bring.

Here in the Fourth District we have been celebrating the addition of new businesses in the community, including new restaurants and shops and marking special events, such as an honorary street renaming for the legendary Lenny Moore.

We are looking forward to honoring more legends, with the upcoming announcement of a permanent home for the Hubert V. Simmons Negro Leagues Baseball Museum of Maryland.

Meanwhile, important infrastructure projects are in the works, including the final leg of the Owings Mills Boulevard extension, traffic calming on Windsor Mill Road and road improvements on a section of Rolling Road. Please take a look inside for updates from the County Council and Planning Department.

Have a safe, enjoyable fall. Use our newsletter to keep apprised of upcoming fall events and highlights from around the Northwest Corridor.

As always, if you need to reach my office, give us a call at 410-887-3389, or email us at council4@baltimorecountymd.gov. We are here to serve you.

Thanks again for the opportunity to continue working for you.

Best regards,

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Sisters make Café Noir a welcome spot to relax in Randallstown



Looking for a place to relax, have a bite, or surf the web? That is exactly what Café Noir co-owners (and sisters) Darcell Atkinson and Taavon Harrison want you to do when you stop by their new coffee shop in Randallstown.

"Sit, sip and socialize," Harrison said, is the motto of the comfy eatery that opened in Randallstown Plaza shopping center in late September. Atkinson and Harrison said the idea to open a restaurant began bubbling up when Atkinson's son, Shideen, was attending Stratford University's Culinary Arts program. "Shideen had a passion for it," Harrison said. "He started cooking for the family."

The sisters' first concept was to open a shop focusing on bakery goods, but that idea grew. "We started thinking, where do you get a good homemade breakfast sandwich?" Harrison said.

They not only saw a need for a coffee shop serving fresh food, but with the adjacent CCBC satellite at the Liberty Center next door they decided to offer free Wi-Fi, too. "There was a need for this," Atkinson said. "There's no place to sit and have a snack and study. I looked at the college right there. When I

was at University of Baltimore there were plenty of quiet coffee shops around to go to, and then go back to class."

The sisters, who live in the area, settled on the space in Randallstown Plaza, and then proceeded to do much of the interior work themselves, including laying tile. "Darcell laid every bit of tile," Harrison said, adding that their father taught them how to do a lot of home repairs when they were growing up. "Darcell is just a go-getter."

"I painted and did all the decorating. We were in here sweating. We lost weight," Harrison added with a laugh. "But we got through it."

Getting through things together and working well as a team seems to be a theme with the sisters, who both work other jobs but are enjoying their joint venture. Many family members, including Shideen, work at the restaurant. And that family feel comes through in the menu, which is a combination of Shideen's specialties and family recipes.

"My specialties are sweet potato pie, sweet potato cupcakes and coconut pineapple cake," Harrison said.

"I cook," Atkinson said with a smile. "I'm assisting my son in the kitchen."

Café Noir, a name suggested by a friend combined with Atkinson's favorite color – black – offers breakfast sandwiches, bagels and hot cereals, soups, salads, lunch sandwiches, panninis, vegetarian selections, a kid's menu, drinks and Zeke's Coffee. The café is open Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m.-9 p.m.; and Saturday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The café is closed on Sunday.

Café Noir is at 3627 Offutt Road in the Randallstown Plaza shopping center. For more information, call 410-922-0407, email cafenoirbakery@gmail.com, or go to www.cafenoirbakery.com.





Check out what's happening around the 4th District



Colin's
Seafood and Grill, 3653 Offutt Road, celebrates its Grand Opening on Tuesday, **Nov. 19**. The new restaurant and

bar and catering, co-owned by restaurateurs Dante and Candes Daniels, opened in October offering a sit-down dining experience and a menu ranging from sandwiches to seafood and steak. The Grand Opening celebration, including county officials, is set for Nov. 19 at 11:30 a.m. The public is invited. For more information and menus go to www.colinsseafoodandgrill.com.



The Hubert V. Simmons Negro Leagues Baseball Museum of Maryland has found a permanent home at the County Campus Building at the Metro Centre at Owings Mills. An announcement of the museum's relocation is set for Wednesday, **Nov.**

20, at 11 a.m. in the lobby of the new Owings Mills Library and CCBC college, 10209 Grand Central Avenue. The museum is housed currently at 3800 Patterson Ave., in the lower level of Lochearn Presbyterian Church. For more info go to <http://nlbmminc.org>.

What's Happening at Your Library

- **Owings Mills Library events: 410-887-2092**
"Books, Coffee and Conversation," talk about your favorite books, Tuesday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m. "Baby Story Time," stories, rhymes and songs, followed by play time, up to 23 months with an adult, registration required, Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. "Preschool Story Time," stories, songs and activities, ages 2-5 with an adult, Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
- **Randallstown Library events: 410-887-0770**
"Small Business Counseling," meet with an advisor for advice on running a small business, registration required, Wednesday, Nov. 13, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. "Introduction to Microsoft Word," learn the basics of Microsoft Word, registration required, Saturday, Nov. 16, 9 a.m. "Preschool Story Time," stories, songs and activities, 2-5 years with an adult, Wednesdays at 10 a.m. "Baby Story Time," stories, rhymes and songs, followed by a play time, up to 23 months with an adult, registration required, Wednesdays at 11 a.m. "Gizmo Invention Show," interactive presentation about inventors who changed the world, all ages – but under 8 with an adult, Wednesday, Nov. 13, 6:30 p.m. "Introduction to Microsoft Word," learn the basics of Microsoft Word, ages 13 and up, registration required, Saturday, Nov. 16, 9 a.m.
- **Woodlawn Library events: 410-887-1336**
"Pajama Story Time," wear your PJs and bring a bedtime pal for stories and songs, ages 2-5 years with an adult, Thursday, Nov. 14, 7 p.m. "Baby Story Time," stories, rhymes and songs, followed by play time, up to 23 months with an adult, registration required, Fridays at 9:30 a.m. "Preschool Story Time," stories, songs and activities, ages 2-5 with an adult, Fridays at 11 a.m. "Happy Dog Adventures with Mirabelle and Michael Muller," learn how pets can be special companions, ages 2-5 with an adult, Saturday, Nov. 16, 2 p.m. www.bcpl.info (3)



Around the Corridor

What's going on around the Northwest Corridor



Woodstock Job Corps Center, 10900 Old Court Road, is holding a **Holiday Community Night**, Thursday, **Dec. 12**, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at

the center. There will be refreshments and festive student performances. Attendees are encouraged to bring baked goods to share. This year, at the end of the program, there will be a community tree lighting in the center's front circle. Woodstock officials are asking community organizations, businesses, employers, churches, and public officials to support the program by attending and hanging an ornament of their choice to inspire Woodstock students. Interested participants can contact Tammi Bush, Business Community Liaison Manager, at 410-696-9326, or at bush.tammi@jobcorps.org.



Stormwater management fee questions? Go to www.baltimorecountymd.gov/stormwaterfee.



Mark your calendars for the upcoming **Public Information and Comment Meeting on the Maryland Transit Administration's Bus Network Improvement Project**. The MTA would like community feedback on how to improve the transit system in the Northwest corridor. Please stop by with your questions, comments, and concerns. The event is **Thursday, Nov. 14, from 5–7 p.m. at the Randallstown Community Center**, 3505 Resource Drive. For more information contact 410-841-3606, or Delores.Kelley@senate.state.md.us.

You may submit a **Code Enforcement** complaint online and follow the complaint as it moves through the inspection process. **First, check the online database** of complaints to see if the issue was reported. Click link below, then click Code Enforcement (PDF):

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/permits/codeenforcement/complaintreports.html. **If you don't find a complaint already filed**, fill out a complaint form:

baltimorecountymd.gov/needtocontact/codecomplaint. **For more information and an overview** of county codes and code enforcement, go to: www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/permits/codeinspections.html

More from Around the County...



Virendra and Krishna Patel, owners of the cozy Vineyards Elite wine and spirits boutique in Pikesville, recently expanded their business to Randallstown with **Elite Wine & Spirits**, 8700 Liberty Road. The new shop is in Liberty Plaza

shopping center, and offers an international wine selection, craft and import beers, as well as popular spirits. The Patels plan on offering wine classes and tastings at the shop, to help people interested in broadening their knowledge of wines and wine producers.



Baltimore County's Office of Economic Development/Workforce Development announced recently that **M.S. Willett, Inc.**, is holding a job fair at its

plant at 220 Cockeysville Road, in Cockeysville, on Saturday, **Nov. 9**, from 9 a.m.-noon. The fair is to fill immediate openings for apprentices, machinists, and tool & die makers. Interested applicants should bring a resume to the job fair. More info: www.mswillett.com.



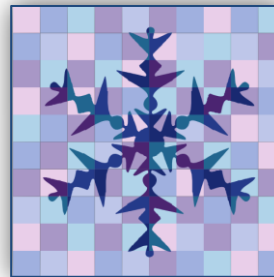
A Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event is set for Sunday, **Nov. 10**, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the county's Western Acceptance Facility, 3310 Transway Rd., Halethorpe. www.baltimorecountymd.gov/News/releases/1101hazardwaste.html



Give Blood. Save a Life:

Thursday, **Nov. 7**, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Woodstock Job Corps Center, 10900 Old Court Road, Woodstock, call Chris Cummings at 410-696-9294 for appointment. Friday, **Nov. 8**, noon-5:30 p.m., Sinai

Hospital, 2401 West Belvedere Ave., call Gloria Duvall at 410-601-8778 for appointment. Donations can always be made at the Mt. Hope Blood Donation Center, 4700 Mt. Hope Drive. Call 800-RED-CROSS, or go to www.redcrossblood.org for more information.



As the weather cools, BGE urges residents to be ready for cold weather and weather emergencies. For a WinterReady checklist, go to:

<http://www.bge.com/wasave/manageyourusage/winterready/pages/default.aspx>.

Meanwhile, for those who may find themselves in need of energy information and assistance, BGE's **Community Resource Guide** is available online in English and Spanish:

http://www.bge.com/customerservice/energyassistance/documents/community_resource_guide_english.pdf

http://www.bge.com/customerservice/energyassistance/documents/community_resource_guide_spanish.pdf

And here is a contact for the **Fuel Fund of Maryland**, which helps needy residents with their fuel needs:

<http://www.bge.com/ourcommitments/community/howyoucanhelp/pages/fuel-fund.aspx>



All Staffing, Inc., recently opened in Owings Mills at The Hilton Executive Suites, 10711 Red Run Blvd. Ste 112. For more info, go to www.allstaffinginc.com.



Planning Update

Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting

The Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12, at 4 p.m. in Room 104 of the Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson. **Information:** www.baltimorecountymd.gov/pbac

Design Review Panel Meeting

The [Design Review Panel Meeting](#) will be held on Wednesday, November 13, at 6 p.m. in Room 104 of the Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson. The Baltimore County Planning Board welcomes citizens to participate in the annual review of the Capital Improvement Program for fiscal years 2015 through 2020. The meeting allows citizen comments to be considered as County agencies formulate their requests. The agency requests will be submitted to the Planning Board in January for review and approval. **Information:** Lynn Lanham at mlanham@baltimorecountymd.gov or call 410-887-3480

Landmarks Preservation Commission Meeting

The [Landmarks Preservation Commission meeting](#) will be held on Thursday, November 14, at 6 p.m. in Room 104 of the Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson. **Information:** Vicki Nevy at nevy@baltimorecountymd.gov or call 410-887-3495

Traffic Calming on Windsor Mill

Windsor Mill Road near the Baltimore City line has qualified for traffic calming and the Department of Public Works has presented plans, which include islands and parking lanes, to residents on the street. Construction is scheduled for the fall. **Information:** Call 410-887-3554

Rolling Road Improvements

Baltimore County is widening and adding curbs, gutters and sidewalks to Rolling Road, from Windsor Mill Road to Orchard Avenue, in a long-term improvement project which will begin with utility relocation work shortly. **Information:** enginrng@baltimorecountymd.gov

Owings Mills Boulevard

Owings Mills Boulevard South, Phase II, which connects Winands Road to Liberty Road, is under construction this fall and should be completed in 2015. **Information:** enginrng@baltimorecountymd.gov

Sewers

Public Works will invest \$1.3 million to improve the Carroll Avenue Pumping Station in Owings Mills this year. Renovations, which began in late January, are expected to be completed by February 2014. The improvements include new pumps. **Information:** enginrng@baltimorecountymd.gov

Development Meetings

[Development Meetings](#) include Community Input, Concept Plan, County Review, Development Review Committee, and Hearing Officers Hearings. **Information:** Call 410-887-3335

Development Review Committee Meeting - R.B.C. South

Date/Time: Tuesday, November 12, 2 to 3 p.m.
Meeting Location: Room 123, County Office Building, 111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204
Property Location: 2835 Rolling Road
DRC Number: 111213B
PAI Number: 02-0154
Tracking Number: DRC-2013-00207
Request: The request is for a CRG refinement to revise the layout of Lot B-11 to show a retail building, and to adjust the drive aisles and parking. **Information:** Colleen Kelly at CKelly@baltimorecountymd.gov or call 410-887-3321

To subscribe to Community Update newsletters on planning, zoning, development and public works, go to: www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Subscribe/communityupdates.html

County Council Roundup:

Baltimore County Council's legislative Nov/Dec schedule:

MONTH	MEETING DATE	WORK SESSION
NOVEMBER	11-18-13	11-12-13
DECEMBER	12-02-13	11-26-13

Pending Legislation

The following Bills, in PDF format, were introduced by the County Council at its November 4, 2013 meeting. These Bills will be discussed at the November 26, 2013 Work Session at 2 p.m. Final Reading and Vote will occur at the Legislative Session on Monday, December 2, 2013 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

- [Bill 57-13](#) CEB - Victim Witness Unit Services
- [Bill 58-13](#) CEB - Ombudsman Program OHCQ Grant
- [Bill 59-13](#) Employees' Retirement System - Line of Duty Death Benefit - Children

The following Bill, in PDF format, was introduced by the County Council at its October 21, 2013 meeting. This Bill will be discussed at the November 12, 2013 Work Session at 2 p.m. Final Reading and Vote will occur at the Legislative Session on Monday, November 18, 2013 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

- [Bill 56-13](#) Tax Credits for High Performance Buildings

*Come out and watch your
County in action*

Baltimore County Council meetings are open to the public and scheduled every first and third Monday at 6 pm., except holidays. For more details and updates, go to baltimorecountymd.gov.

The following Resolutions, in PDF format, were introduced by the County Council at its November 4, 2013 meeting. These Resolutions will be discussed at the November 12, 2013 Work Session at 2 p.m. Final Reading and Vote will occur at the Legislative Session on Monday, November 18, 2013 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

- [Resolution 110-13](#) Designation of Sustainable Community-Reisterstown Main Street
- [Resolution 111-13](#) Endorsement of Application - MD Dept. of Housing & Community Dev...-Dante Daniels, NDDC, LLC
- [Resolution 112-13](#) PILOT - Standard Oaks Venture, LP - 815 Winters Lane – Catonsville
- [Resolution 113-13](#) Revenue Bond - Standard Oaks Venture, LP-Maryland Limited Partnership- Catonsville
- [Resolution 114-13](#) Disapproval of Application- MD Dept. of Housing & Comm. Dev.-Homes at McCormick, Townhomes-5501 McCormick Ave

The following Resolution, in PDF format, was introduced by the County Council at its September 16, 2013 meeting.

- [Resolution 94-13](#) Accept donation - Yeardley Love Statue Plaza - Meadowood Regional Park



Baltimore County Resources

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY- CALL 911

Snow/Storm- 410-887-3560

Other Non-Emergency Concerns- 410-887-2222

Employment/Jobs/Business

- **Liberty Center – employment/job training**
3637 Offutt Road, 410-887-8912, www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/jobtraining
- **Liberty Road Business Association – business group**
9405 Liberty Road, 410-655-7766, www.lrba.biz
- **Jobs with Baltimore County –** www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/humanresources/jobs

Health Services

- **Liberty Resource Center – county health services**
3525 Resource Drive, 410-887-0600, baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/health/healthservices
- **Woodlawn Health Center – county health services**
1811 Woodlawn Drive, 410-887-1332, baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/health/healthservices

Library branches

- **Randallstown Library – books, computers, events and more**
8604 Liberty Road, 410-887-0770, www.bcpl.info/hours-locations/randallstown
- **Owings Mills Library – books, computers, events and more**
Metro Centre at Owings Mills, 410-887-2092, www.bcpl.info/hours-locations/owings-mills
- **Woodlawn Library – books, computers, events and more**
1811 Woodlawn Drive, 410-887-1336, www.bcpl.info/hours-locations/woodlawn

Mediation

- **Baltimore County Conflict Resolution Center – conflict resolution services**
410-663-7070, www.CRCbaltimoreCounty.org

Recreation – www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/recreation

- **Liberty Road Recreation Council – sports and recreation activities**
Milford Mill Academy, 3800 Washington Ave., 410-887-0700
- **Northwest Regional Park – sports fields, pavilions, playground, trails**
4515 Deer Park Road, 410-887-1582,
- **Owings Mills Recreation Council – sports and recreation activities**
New Town High, 4931 New Town Boulevard, 410-887-1582
- **Randallstown Community Center – rec council sports, fitness, arts, meetings**
3505 Resource Drive, 410-887-0698
- **Randallstown Y Aquatics Center – Y of Maryland pool and classes**
3505 Resource Drive, 410-496-4272
- **Woodlawn Community Center – rec council, senior and community activities**
2120 Gwynn Oak Ave, 410-887-1357

Seniors

- **Liberty Senior Center – senior services and activities**
3525 Resource Drive, 410-887-0780, www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/aging/centers
- **Woodlawn Senior Center – senior services and activities**
2120 Gwynn Oak Avenue, 410-887-6887, www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/aging/centers

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